

CLAIMS

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An isolated polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO: 1 – 6, a mature protein coding portion of SEQ ID NO: 1 – 6, an active domain coding protein of SEQ ID NO: 1 – 6, and complementary sequences thereof.
2. An isolated polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide with biological activity, wherein said polynucleotide has greater than about 90% sequence identity with the polynucleotide of claim 1.
3. The polynucleotide of claim 1 wherein said polynucleotide is DNA.
4. An isolated polynucleotide of claim 1 wherein said polynucleotide comprises the complementary sequences.
5. A vector comprising the polynucleotide of claim 1.
6. An expression vector comprising the polynucleotide of claim 1.
7. A host cell genetically engineered to comprise the polynucleotide of claim 1.
8. A host cell genetically engineered to comprise the polynucleotide of claim 1 operatively associated with a regulatory sequence that modulates expression of the polynucleotide in the host cell.
9. An isolated polypeptide, wherein the polypeptide is selected from the group consisting of a polypeptide encoded by any one of the polynucleotides of claim 1.
10. A composition comprising the polypeptide of claim 9 and a carrier.
11. An antibody directed against the polypeptide of claim 9.

12. A method for detecting the polynucleotide of claim 1 in a sample, comprising:

a) contacting the sample with a compound that binds to and forms a complex with the polynucleotide of claim 1 for a period sufficient to form the complex; and

b) detecting the complex, so that if a complex is detected, the polynucleotide of claim 1 is detected.

13. A method for detecting the polynucleotide of claim 1 in a sample, comprising:

a) contacting the sample under stringent hybridization conditions with nucleic acid primers that anneal to the polynucleotide of claim 1 under such conditions;

b) amplifying a product comprising at least a portion of the polynucleotide of claim 1; and

c) detecting said product and thereby the polynucleotide of claim 1 in the sample.

14. The method of claim 13, wherein the polynucleotide is an RNA molecule and the method further comprises reverse transcribing an annealed RNA molecule into a cDNA polynucleotide.

15. A method for detecting the polypeptide of claim 9 in a sample, comprising:

a) contacting the sample with a compound that binds to and forms a complex with the polypeptide under conditions and for a period sufficient to form the complex; and

b) detecting formation of the complex, so that if a complex formation is detected, the polypeptide of claim 9 is detected.

16. A method for identifying a compound that binds to the polypeptide of claim 9, comprising:

a) contacting the compound with the polypeptide of claim 9 under conditions sufficient to form a polypeptide/compound complex; and

b) detecting the complex, so that if the polypeptide/compound complex is detected, a compound that binds to the polypeptide of claim 9 is identified.

17. A method for identifying a compound that binds to the polypeptide of claim 9, comprising:

a) contacting the compound with the polypeptide of claim 9, in a cell, under conditions sufficient to form a polypeptide/compound complex, wherein the complex drives expression of a reporter gene sequence in the cell; and

b) detecting the complex by detecting reporter gene sequence expression, so that if the polypeptide/compound complex is detected, a compound that binds to the polypeptide of claim 9 is identified.

18. A method of producing the polypeptide of claim 9, comprising,

a) culturing a host cell comprising a polynucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of a polynucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1-6, a mature protein coding portion of SEQ ID NO: 1-6, an active domain coding portion of SEQ ID NO: 1-6, complementary sequences thereof, under conditions sufficient to express the polypeptide in said cell; and

b) isolating the polypeptide from the cell culture or cells of step (a).

19. An isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of any one of the polypeptides from the Sequence Listing, the mature protein portion thereof, or the active domain thereof.

20. The polypeptide of claim 21 wherein the polypeptide is provided on a polypeptide array.

21. A collection of polynucleotides, wherein the collection comprising the sequence information of at least one of SEQ ID NO: 1 – 6.

22. The collection of claim 21, wherein the collection is provided on a nucleic acid array.

23. The collection of claim 22, wherein the array detects full-matches to any one of the polynucleotides in the collection.

24. The collection of claim 22, wherein the array detects mismatches to any one of the polynucleotides in the collection.

5 25. The collection of claim 21, wherein the collection is provided in a computer-readable format.

26. A method of treatment comprising administering to a mammalian subject in need thereof a therapeutic amount of a composition comprising a polypeptide of claim 9 or 19 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

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27. A method of treatment comprising administering to a mammalian subject in need thereof a therapeutic amount of a composition comprising an antibody that specifically binds to a polypeptide of claim 9 or 19 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

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